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## COMMENCEMENT WEEK BEGINS SUNDAY

Commencement Exercises Begin Sunday With Baccalaureate Sermon At Baptist Church

### CLASS PLAY AT OPERA HOUSE

All Other Programs Will Be Held at the High School Auditorium at 8:00 O'Clock

Sunday, April 28, Baccalaureate Service.

Monday, April 29, Open Program of Literary Societies.

Wednesday, May 1, Commencement Play.

Thursday, May 2, Declamatory Contest.

Friday, May 3, Commencement Address.

Commencement has come more reached the season when the graduate comes into the limelight, and the smile of every faithful boy and girl indicates that he expects to pass one step forward. Beginning with the first day of next week there will be no alumnus in every part of the school system, both day and night. Teachers and pupils will plan and pass examinations during daylight, and pass the pleasant evenings watching those of their number behind the footlights in the local auditorium and at the opera house.

The baccalaureate sermon will be given to the class and their friends at the Baptist church by Rev. Phillips, on Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock. All other programs, except the Commencement Play, will be given at the High School at 8:00 o'clock in the evenings.

The local High School has set an other standard for others of the state by preparing one of the finest Commencement plays ever put on the stage, for their friends. They first chose one of the most attractive classics for the basis of their play, and then went to work some four months ago to get it as nearly perfect for the performance as it is possible to prepare it. Those who have seen the practice the past week pronounced it in every way worthy of the patronage that it promises to receive. This feature of Commencement Week is a usual thing in the larger cities of the Mississippi Valley states, and is certainly very complimentary to the High School Faculty. The teachers have confidence that the people of Tucumcari will stand by them in their undertakings to make the schools what they should be—second to none—and they do not hesitate to expend their several hundred for staging a Commencement Play that would be a credit to the capital of any state in the union, as will be shown next Wednesday.

While the "Captain of Plymouth" is the only program of the week to which an admission will be charged, there are special features for each program. In addition to the excellent literary program on Monday evening there will be a "May Pole Dance," something seldom given upon a stage. This part of the program will be given as a compliment by the Eighth Grade to the High School Societies. In the Declamatory Contest the winning boy and the winning girl will each get a beautiful gold medal.

Brother Joel Hedgepath has prepared one of those excellent addresses for the final program and the usual delivery of parchment will close the school year. In addition to granting the diploma to the regular graduate, about a dozen will be granted certificates for special courses completed in the Commercial Department. During the last half year there has been a contest of spelling and penmanship classes, and the winners of these contests will receive public recognition on Commencement night. Also all pupils who have been neither absent nor tardy during the past year will be present to receive a certificate of honor for their faithfulness to duty, and the other year of school will have passed into history.

While the complete records for the year have not yet been made out, they will show better conditions than we had a year ago. Each teacher has been earnestly engaged in her efforts to make the school better than it was the year before, and we have not only a greater number enrolled, but we also have been able to see better results in the class room, and consequent better records for the final standing.

### MOTORCYCLE FOR SALE

We have a dandy Indian Motorcycle which is in good repair, and for sale at a bargain. Tucumcari Auto Co. Phone 99

### CARTER SMITH DIES FROM A BULLET WOUND

Shot Himself In the Temple and Died Almost Instantly—Had Been Ill For sometime.

On Wednesday afternoon, April 24, Carter Smith, one of our well known young men, shot himself in the temple while at the residence of his uncle, U. S. Smith, where he had been rooming. He was 28 years, 6 months and 25 days old.

Mr. Smith had been ill for about a month and had become despondent. It is thought that during a moment of despondency he became temporarily insane and committed the act. When the news was flashed around our quiet little city it was quite a shock to his many friends and relatives.

The funeral services were held at Sunnyside cemetery where the body was interred Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The bereaved have the sympathy of the whole community.

We the undersigned Justice of the Peace, and jury, who sat upon the inquest held this date, the day of April, 1912, on the body of Carter Smith, find that deceased came to his death by a pistol shot wound in the temple, fired by his own hands while temporarily insane:

E. E. Winters, J. P.  
W. H. Shangier,  
James A. Wright,  
C. H. Cheneau,  
Fred Cregger,  
F. M. Smith,  
Herman Gerhardt.

## SECTION FOREMAN IS RUN OVER BY TRAIN

A Section Foreman By the Name of Van Dyke Killed Near Carrizozo By a Westbound Train

### FULL PARTICULARS NOT KNOWN

Tucumcari Crew Had Charge of the Train, But it is Said that the Engine Did Not Strike Man

On Friday of this week as a train, westbound, was near Carrizozo, at mile post 148 a very sad accident occurred. Section Foreman Van Dyke was struck and run over by the train and death resulted almost instantly.

We understand that no blame is attached to any of the crew. It is said that the engine did not strike him.

These accidents will continue to occur as long as the railroads are in operation because people become too careless around the railroad and engineers cannot tell when a man is going to remain on the track, and of course he cannot afford to stop everything to find out what is best to do.

### TWO INSTITUTE ARMY BOYS COMMISSIONED LIEUTENANTS

Boswell, N. M., April 23.—Since January 1, 1912, the New Mexico Military Institute has sent to the army two of its graduates who were commissioned as second lieutenants. Cadet Short, who graduated as first Captain May, 1912, was commissioned as a lieutenant of the infantry, and Major Lohman, former commandant and a graduate of the school, was commissioned a second lieutenant of the cavalry. Both of these young men are now stationed at Fort Leavenworth where the officers of the army are giving them splendid reconditionments.

Within a few days two of the graduates of this year's class will start for the Pacific coast, where on May 12 they will be assigned to a government transport and taken to the Philippine Islands. After arriving on the islands they will be assigned to the duty of second lieutenants in the Philippine service. The two cadets who have accepted these commissions are Cadet Joseph Creamer, first classman from Santa Fe, and Cadet Homer T. Merrill, of Lubbock, Texas. J. J. McCallister, another member of the first class was offered a commission in the Philippine constabulary, but decided not to accept at the present time. The commissions to the Philippine service were granted by the Bureau of Insular Affairs on the recommendation of the school and certificate showing that the two cadets would be declared graduates with their class at the end of the year. The Philippine service, while not as good as that of the regular army, affords splendid opportunity for young men. The salary is something better than \$1,200 to start with. This within itself is quite an item for a young man just out of college.

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## ARMY TRANSPORT TO RESCUE AMERICANS ON MEXICAN COAST

**Transport Buford Will Leave Sunday for West Coast to Pick Up Americans. Situation in Mexico Gradually Becoming Worse. 500 Americans are There.**

Washington, D. C., April 26. The army transport Buford will leave San Francisco Sunday for the west coast of Mexico to pick up any American residents who may wish to leave the coast. The Buford will visit Topolobampo, Alata, Mazatlan, in the state of Sinaloa; San Blas, Tepic, Manzanillo in Colima, and Acapulco in Guerrero.

The vessel is sent at the request of the state department under urgent request from many Americans stranded in the states bordering the Pacific.

Since the rebels began to make headway in their operations along the Pacific coast, communication has been cut with many interior towns where Americans reside. This has left the state department without information as to their safety, and this in the face of reports of wanton acts of bandits and organized rebels.

Constant appeals came to the state department to use some method of ascertaining the welfare of these people, but the officials tried other means to ward off the necessity of sending a United States vessel to the coast.

Today's reports declare the situation throughout Mexico as generally becoming worse. Marauders are choosing much unresisted.

The transport Cimarron first was selected for the relief expedition but officials later decided that that vessel had insufficient accommodations for Americans who might wish to leave Mexico. The Buford, therefore, was designated.

While the Buford is a government

### BOB LA LONDE INJURED

Last Sunday morning while on a sailing at Carrizozo Bob LaLonde was standing by Englewood, Sonoma, who was oiling his engine. They decided to go across the track to get a tire car, having an accident before breaking up the track and seeing nothing, turned and started. No 3 was last passing. The engine struck Bob, smashing him 18 feet, by striking a water column, cutting gashes in his soap dislocating his left shoulder, breaking his left leg below the knee and fracturing seven ribs.

His many friends were sick to hear of his misfortune but glad to learn that he will recover. Being a stout man his chances for recovery seem better.

LATER.—Bob LaLonde quit on Wednesday morning.

### MULES FOR SALE

Two year-olds, bay, gelding, good condition and reasonable. Inquiry of Neil Nelson, Ober, N. M., or at the News Office.

## Report of the Treasurer of the City of Tucumcari, New Mexico

For the term beginning April 15th, 1910 and ending April 15th, 1912, showing the expense of the City for the different departments separately, and totals.

The expense for water shown is for the time only, before the purchase of the Water-Works by the City.

### RECEIPTS:

1910

April 15.		
Balance Cash on hand	\$ 544.74	
Borrowed from Int. Bank	3500.00	
Rec. from City Clerk, City Licenses	11,958.63	
" " County Treasurer, City Tax	21,333.64	
" " Justice of the Peace, Fines	553.50	
" " City Water Works	501.63	
" " Building Inspector	98.50	
TOTAL	\$28,490.64	

### DISBURSEMENTS:

1912

Salaries and Commissions of Clerk, Attorney and Treasurer	\$2,339.83
Police Salaries	4,647.40
Dept. Expse. Board for prisoners etc.	437.85
Fire Department, salaries	1,050.00
" " expense	812.21
Health Dept. Salaries, Physician and Insp.	1011.85
" " Sanitary work	244.10
Lots bought by City, for Jail site	350.00
Street Dept. Expense	1,558.20
" " Material for Culverts etc.	611.50
Sewer " Expense, Interest and Maint.	10,200.19
City Printing	768.43
Street Lighting	1,826.85
Water for fire hydrants, about 1 yr.	1,080.55
Court Costs	240.70
Contingent Expense, Int. Elects. etc.	484.54
City Hall Rent	720.00
Water for Sewer, about 1 yr.	653.35
" " Street Sprinkler, about 1 yr.	878.95
" " Public Water Trough about 1 yr	168.90
City pauper expense	573.31
Int. Bank Loan	3,500.00
City Park Expense	163.55
Paid City Water-Works	2,395.07
TOTAL	\$37,717.42
1912, April 15, Balance Cash on hand	773.22
	\$38,490.64

HERMAN GERHARDT,  
City Treasurer.

### ILLINOIS AND GEORGIA ARE VISITED BY TORNADOES

Seventy two Was Death Toll of Illinois Storm, and Damage is Great—Six Killed in Georgia

Newbern, Ill., April 23.—Six persons were killed and a score injured by a tornado which swept through a section of the state Monday, and demolished many houses and killed live stock.

Chicago, April 23.—Latest figures regarding the tornado which swept over Illinois and Indiana Sunday morning show 72 dead, nearly 200 injured and nearly 100 families destitute. More than 100 homes were demolished and the property loss totalled between \$500,000 and \$2,000,000.

Greatest damage done at Bush, Waukegan, Machesney, Chicago, Elgin and Kankakee, Ill., and Monroe, Ind.

Colonel Deacon and Adjutant General Dickson today arranged to extend relief to the stricken districts of Illinois.

The dead and injured were distributed as follows: Bush, 18 dead, 10 injured; Elgin, 1 dead, 10 injured; Machesney, 17 dead, 10 injured; Mattoon, 10 dead, 5 injured; Campion, 2 dead, 10 injured; Kankakee, 7 dead, 25 injured; Monroe, Ind., 8 dead, one injured; Elgin, 10 dead, 10 injured; Machesney, 2 dead, 10 injured.

Many suggestions were made and a complete new constitution was planned for the state of Georgia.

Those present were enthusiastic and the city is wide awake and there will soon be something done in a sound way and some of the good old times of the past will be repeated and bring our men back into closer contact and work in perfect harmony for the spreading and the general welfare of our city and its interests.

Most good folks are kindly and our spirits are tender, their words, so they say, are doing much to help us.

They will likely return to the present office and Mr. Stedman goes for what soul he thinks still lives in me, and I am sure that a substantial work will be accomplished in the very near future, which will be truly beneficial to all men and society.

Their will give a billion dollar to the cause which affords the sole outlet for their money, and the funds will be brought together. A man or woman who wants to sell a morsel of bread or wood, here the buyers will look for the opportunity. The buyers may use this man as a few grain when in town.

The above are only a few of the many interesting features, but from the present indications there will be something doing and we should all pull in line and help each a good cause along.

Nothing is more beneficial to a town than a lively and Commercial Club.

That is not what University has and the results will speak for themselves.

These shows for Tucumcari, Quay county and the Commercial Club!

## COMMERCIAL CLUB GETS DOWN TO WORK

Suggestions Were Made and New Routine Planned to Make a Greater Tucumcari

### BUSINESS MEN WORK TOGETHER

Many New Theories Advanced by Our Real Boosters and Every Citizen Should Help the Cause

On Wednesday the Business Council had a meeting and discussed some measures \$10,000 to place the organization in a solid basis. Some ready cash is needed. Those present took their assessment and a committee was appointed to see the local institutions can collect from them.

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